

Owing to the fact that mail addressed to this Office and to other German Consulates in Canada is being withheld by the Canadian authorities, I have been prevented from obtaining reliable and complete date [*sic*] concerning the personnel of our Consulate at Winnipeg, which, in ignorance of the mail-embargo, I had promised to furnish.

I should like to repeat here, as a matter of record, the various other details discussed between us at the time:

a) Sufficient time to be allowed for the purpose of handing over at the given time of Consular Affairs and Archives to representatives of a neutral power (Switzerland).

b) ditto for settling personal affairs of staffs, breaking up households, storage of furniture, settling outstanding obligations.

c) Issuance of special passports by Canadian Government to entire personnel for free departure from country.

d) Protection by Canadian Government for persons, residences and personal property up to actual departure from Canada; likewise for residences and household goods left in storage after departure.

e) Permission to take

1) personal funds

2) purely personal papers (if necessary after inspection by an official of your Department)

3) baggage.

f) Authorization to advise Foreign Office Berlin by cable of rupture of diplomatic relations.

I have the honour to ask you to please confirm the above and to indicate in your reply the outcome of our conversation with regard to the individual questions enumerated above.

I have etc.

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*Le consul général d'Allemagne au sous-secrétaire d'État
aux Affaires extérieures*

*German Consul General to Under-Secretary of State
for External Affairs*

Ottawa, September 8, 1939

Sir,

I have the honour to refer you to my letter of September 7th, in which I requested that the Canadian Government take steps to enable me to perform my official duties by affording me facilities for free official correspondence.

No mail has been received at this Office today; nor has an official mail bag, at present at Customs, been delivered; the embargo is being continued.